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TO: (OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE) SHERWOOD

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RE: SHERWOOD (IN 22294)

MASTER

1. CURRENT ANALYSIS OF STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS REVEAL:

A. YOUR SPECTACULAR OFFENSIVE IN HANK COMPLEX IF CONTINUED SUCCESSFUL COULD CONTRIBUTE TO SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF ENEMY'S MAJOR FORCE. YOUR ADVANTAGES ARE IN MOVEMENT WITH AIR SUPPORT WHEREAS ENEMY'S ADVANTAGES ARE GREATEST IN STATIC SITUATIONS; THEREFORE YOUR TACTICS MUST REMAIN DYNAMIC.

B. DEVELOPMENT OF JALAPA ASSET INCREASES YOUR OPPORTUNITIES OF DESTROYING ENEMY BY ISOLATING HIM FROM ADAM. CUTTING OFF BOTH ARTERIES NORTH AND SOUTH.

C. STEADY FORWARD PRESSURE IS PREFERABLE HOWEVER IMMINENCE OF DIPLOMATIC INTERRUPTION WITHIN ABOUT FIVE OR SIX DAYS NECESSITATES CAREFUL PLANNING OF IMMEDIATE FUTURE. IF POSSIBLE TO STRIKE DECISIVE BLOW IN HANK COMPLEX THEN THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM. HOWEVER YOUR

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AIR BASES AT ESQUIPULAS AND CHIQUIMULA ARE INADEQUATE TO SUPPORT ANYTHING BUT LIGHT AIRCRAFT AND NO BETTER BETWEEN YOU AND ADAM. THEREFORE YOU MUST RELY ON SOMERSET AND BEST THINKING IS THAT THIS MUST TERMINATE SOON UNLESS KMFLUSH BECOMES INVOLVED IN WAR WITH WSBURNT.

D. CAREFUL REVIEW OF ABOVE LEADS TO CONCLUSION THAT SEIZURE OF BOND WITHIN SIX DAYS IS YOUR BEST SOLUTION AS IT WOULD PROVIDE AIR BASE AND SEA SUPPORT FOR INDEFINITE FUTURE AND PLACES ALL EXTERNAL SUPPORT WITHIN TARGET COUNTRY. EXTREME SERIOUSNESS OF ULTIMATE SUCCESS DICTATES PRUDENCE OVER AUDACITY AND ALTERING CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS HELD HERETOFORE. ALTHOUGH NOT YET SPECIFICALLY APPROVED WE MAY PLAN ON MOVING ALL AIR AND COMMO TO BOND IF NECESSARY.

E. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT YOUR POSITION AROUND HANK, DEVELOPING JALAPA, AND USING AIR TO POUND ENEMY UNTIL 282400. MEANWHILE STRATEGIC STRIKES WILL BE CALLED ON ADAM AND BOND KEEPING UP MAXIMUM PRESSURE IN ANTICIPATION GOVT WILL CRACK. IF NO MAJOR CHANGE OCCURS BY 290001 AND YOU ARE STILL LANDLOCKED THEN IMMEDIATE MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN TO SEIZE BOND BY AIR/GROUND ACTION BEFORE 30 JUNE THEREAFTER CONSOLIDATING GAINS BEFORE RESUMING OFFENSIVE.

2. YOUR AUTHORITY TO CONTROL TACTICAL AIR REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING BOMBING OF MILITARY TARGETS IS EXTENDED TO AREA BOUNDED BY

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JUTIAPA-JALAPA-EL PROGRESO-GUALAN-ENTRE RIOS AND WSHOOFS (COMBAT ZONE). LINCOLN RETAINS CONTROL OVER ALL STRATEGIC AIR FIRE SUPPORT MISSIONS OUTSIDE YOUR ZONE AS IN MOST CASES HQS AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED PARTICULARLY ADAM AND BOND.

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